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House Bill 5288, AAC Chemical Road Treatments

Committee on Transportation

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CCIA Position: Supports

Connecticut Construction Industries Association's Equipment Maintenance Forum is comprised of fleet managers from a number of substantial contractors, material producers, and equipment dealers, who have a great deal of experience maintaining various types of commercial trucks, and construction equipment.

CCIA supports AAC Chemical Road Treatments and respectfully request that the committee act in favor of the bill. Safety is a priority at CCIA and with all of our member companies. We appreciate the safety aspect of using these chemical road treatments to improve the condition highways during winter storms. However, other concerns must be carefully considered to ensure that the appropriate treatments are being used in Connecticut.

CCIA/EMF members have growing concerns about the corrosive effects that the chemical road treatments are having on their vehicles and equipment, and the escalating costs that are associated with maintenance and repairs. The members firmly believe that the analysis provided for in this bill is necessary to bring much needed attention to this matter. The members are available as a resource for information regarding the necessity of this bill, and the analysis provided for in the bill if it is enacted.

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